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SUBJECT: PAK AFGHAN RELATIONS

REF: STATE 053931

1. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION THAT WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO REVIEW WITH GOI THE ENTIRE COURSE OF SENATOR PERCY'S INITIATIVE (REFTEL), INCLUDING ITS ACCEPTANCE IN PRINCIPLE BY BHUTTO AND REJECTION BY DAUD. WE ANTICIPATE THAT INDIAN OFFICIALS WILL ASK WHAT WAS THE RESULT OF THE INITIATIVE AND WILL CERTAINLY HAVE NOTED THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO BASIC CHANGE IN PAK-AFGHAN PROPAGANDA PATTERNS THUS FAR. INDIAN OFFICIALS MAY CONCLUDE WE ARE TELLING THEM ABOUT THE INITIATIVE BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO PORTRAY A POSITIVE ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF THE PAKISTANIS AND A NEGATIVE ONE ON THE SIDE OF THE AFGHANS.

2. WE APPRECIATE REFTTEL'S CAUTION (PARA 3) THAT WE NOT CONVEY ANY IMPRESSION THAT OUR INTEREST SUGGESTS INCREASED US INVOLVEMENT OR A MORE ACTIVIST USG APPROACH TO SUBCONTINENTAL ISSUES, BUT ARE FRANKLY NOT SURE THAT AN ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF SENATOR PERCY'S INITIATIVE WILL INDEED SEEM CONSISTENT WITH SUCH A DENIAL. CONSEQUENTLY, WE

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INTEND TO APPROACH DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT WITH CAUTION.

FOR EXAMPLE, WE BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD NOT DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH THE GOI DURING THE DAUD VISIT IN ORDER TO AVOID CREATING ANY SUSPICION THAT WE HOPE TO INFLUENCE DISCUSSIONS CURRENTLY GOING ON. WE WILL PICK OUR TIME CAREFULLY AND MAY DECIDE IN THIS CASE THAT CURRENT INDIAN DOUBTS REGARDING OUR INTENTIONS, RAISED BY OUR ARMS POLICY, DICTATE THAT WE NOT CONSULT WITH THE INDIANS ON THIS PARTICULAR CASE.

3. WE NEVERTHELESS ENTIRELY AGREE WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTION, THAT OF BRINGING THE US AND INDIA INTO CLOSER DIPLOMATIC CONSULTATION CONCERNING ACTIONS WE BOTH MAY TAKE WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO CONTRIBUTE TO NORMALIZATION ON THE SUBCONTINENT.
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